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Table 1. 2000 ABCs, TACs, Initial TACs (Pacific Cod Only) and Overfishing Levels of Groundfish in the Gulf of Alaska [Values are in metric tons]

Species	Area ¹	ABC	TAC	Initial TAC	Overfishing	
Pollock ²						
Shumagin	(610)	32,340	32,340			
Chirikof	(620)	13,372	13,372			
Kodiak	(630)	24,501	24,501			
Shelikof		20,987	20,987			
WYK	(640)	<u>2,340</u>	<u>2,340</u>			
Subtotal	W/C/WYK	93,540	93,540		130,760	
SEO	(650)	<u>6,460</u>	6,460		8,610	
Total		100,000	100,000		139,370	
Pacific cod ³						
	\mathbf{W}	27,500	20,625	16,500		
	C	43,550	34,080	27,264		
	E	<u>5,350</u>	<u>4,010</u>	<u>3,208</u>		
Total		76,400	58,715	46,972	102,000	
Flatfish ⁴ W	28	30	280			
(deep-	C	2,710	2,710			
water)	WYK	1,240	1,240			
	SEO	<u>1,070</u>	<u>1,070</u>			
Total		5,300	5,300		6,980	
Rex sole ⁴	W	1,230	1,230			
	C	5,660	5,660			
	WYK	1,540	1,540			
	SEO	<u>1,010</u>	<u>1,010</u>			
Total		9,440	9,440		12,300	
Flathead	W	8,490	2,000			
sole	C	15,720	5,000			
	WYK	1,440	1,440			
	SEO	<u>620</u>	<u>620</u>			
Total		26,270	9,060		34,210	
Flatfish ⁵ W		9,510	4,500			
(shallow-	C	16,400	12,950			
water)	WYK	790	790			
	SEO	<u>1,160</u>	<u>1,160</u>			
Total		37,860	19,400		45,330	

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Species	Area ¹	ABC	TAC	Initial TAC	Overfishing
Arrowtooth	W	16,160	5,000		
flounder	C	97,710	25,000		
110 411001	WYK	23,770	2,500		
	SEO	<u>7,720</u>	<u>2,500</u>		
Total	~	145,360	3 5,000		173,910
Sablefish ⁶	W	1,840	1,840		
	C	5,730	5,730		
	WYK	2,207	2,207		
	SEO	3,553	3,553		
Subtotal	E	5,760	5,760		
Total	L	13,330	13,330		16,660
Pacific ⁷	W	1,240	1,240		1,460
ocean	Ċ	9,240	9,240		10,930
perch	WYK	840	840		10,730
peren	SEO	1,700	1,700		
Subtotal	E	1,700	1,700		3,000
Total	Ľ	13,020	13,020		15,390
Shortraker/	W	210	210		
rougheye8	C	930	930		
	E	<u>590</u>	<u>590</u>		
Total		1,730	1,730		2,510
Other	W	20	20		
rockfish 9,10	C	740	740		
	WYK	250	250		
	SEO	3,890	3,890		
Total	220	4,900	4,900		6,390
Northern	W	630	630		
Rockfish ^{10,12}	C	4,490	4,490		
	E	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>		
Total	_	5,120	5,120		7,510
Pelagic	W	550	550		
shelf	C	4,080	4,080		
rockfish ¹³	WYK	580	580		
	SEO	<u>770</u>	<u>770</u>		
Total	~20	5,980	5,980		9,040
Thornyhead	W	430	430		
rockfish	C	990	990		
TOCKIISH	E	<u>940</u>	<u>940</u>		
		$2,\overline{360}$	$2,\frac{340}{360}$		2,820

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Species	Area ¹	ABC	TAC	Initial TAC	Overfishing
Demersal shelf rockfish ¹¹	SEO	340	340		420
Atka mackerel	GW	600	600		6,200
Other ¹⁴ species	GW	N/A ¹⁵	14,215	N/A	
TOTAL GOA ¹⁶		448,010	298,510		581,040

NOTES TO TABLE 1:

- C Central Regulatory Area of the GOA
- E Eastern Shelikof Strait of the GOA
- GW Gulf-Wide
- SEO Southeast Outside District of the GOA
- W Western Regulatory Area of the GOA
- W/C/WYK Western Regulatory Area /Central Regulatory Area/West Yakutat District of the GOA;
- WYK West Yakutat District of the GOA
- 1. **Regulatory areas and districts** are defined at § 679.2 [and in Figures 1 and 3 to 50 CFR 679]
- 2. Under the emergency interim rule (65 FR 3892, January 25, 2000) **pollock** is apportioned in the Western/Central Regulatory areas to the Shelikof Strait conservation area (defined at §679.22(b)(3)(ii)(B)) in the A and B seasons only.

In accordance with §679.22(b)(3)(iii)(C) the pollock TAC in the Shelikof Strait is determined by calculating a ratio equal to the most recent estimate of pollock biomass in the Shelikof Strait divided by the total pollock biomass in the GOA. This ratio is multiplied by the amount of the combined Western and Central GOA TAC available in the A and B seasons.

The remainder of the combined Western and Central GOA TAC in the **A and B seasons** is then apportioned to areas 610, 620, 630 outside the Shelikof Strait based on the distribution of pollock outside the Shelikof Strait, which is 56 percent, 4 percent, and 40 percent respectively.

During the **C** and **D** seasons pollock is apportioned based on the relative distribution of pollock biomass at 42 percent, 25 percent, and 33 percent in Regulatory Areas 610, 620, and 630 respectively. These seasonal apportionments are shown in Tables 3 and 4.

In the Eastern Regulatory Area, pollock is not divided into seasonal allowances.

NOTES TO TABLE 1 (continued)

- 3. **Pacific cod** is allocated 90 percent for processing by the inshore component and 10 percent for processing by the offshore component. Component allocations of the initial TACs are shown in Table 5.
- 4. "Deep water flatfish" means Dover sole, Greenland turbot, and deepsea sole.
- 5. "Shallow water flatfish" means flatfish not including "deep water flatfish," flathead sole, rex sole, or arrowtooth flounder.
- 6. **Sablefish** is allocated to trawl and hook-and-line gears (Table 2).
- 7. "Pacific ocean perch" means Sebastes alutus.
- 8. "Shortraker/rougheye rockfish" means Sebastes borealis (shortraker) and S. aleutianus (rougheye).
- 9. "Other rockfish" in the Western and Central Regulatory Areas and in the West Yakutat District means slope rockfish and demersal shelf rockfish.

The category "other rockfish" in the Southeast Outside District means Slope rockfish.

10. "Slope rockfish" means Sebastes aurora (aurora), S. melanostomus (blackgill), S. paucispinis (bocaccio), S. goodei (chilipepper), S. crameri (darkblotch), S. elongatus (greenstriped), S. variegatus (harlequin), S. wilsoni (pygmy), S. babcocki (redbanded), S. proriger (redstripe), S. zacentrus (sharpchin), S. jordani (shortbelly), S. brevispinis (silvergrey), S. diploproa (splitnose), S. saxicola (stripetail), S. miniatus (vermilion), and S. reedi (yellowmouth).

In the Eastern GOA only, "slope rockfish" also includes northern rockfish, S. polyspinous.

- 11. "Demersal shelf rockfish" means Sebastes pinniger (canary), S. nebulosus (china), S. caurinus (copper), S. maliger (quillback), S. helvomaculatus (rosethorn), S. nigrocinctus (tiger), and S. ruberrimus (yelloweye).
- 12. "Northern rockfish" means Sebastes polyspinis.
- 13. "Pelagic shelf rockfish" means Sebastes ciliatus (dusky), S. entomelas (widow), and S. flavidus (yellowtail).
- 14. **"Other species"** means sculpins, sharks, skates, squid, and octopus. The TAC for "other species" equals 5 percent of the TACs of target species.
- 15. N/A means not applicable.
- 16. The **total ABC** is the sum of the ABCs for target species.